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**Abstract of TW 443932 (B)**

The invention provides aqueous gel compositions for use as wound dressings and comprising from 2% to 10% w/v of alginate and from 25% to 40% w/v of polyhydric alcohol, said compositions being substantially sterile. The alginate is preferably sodium alginate and/or potassium alginate. The polyhydric alcohol is preferably propylene glycol or hexylene glycol. Also provided is a process of making such gel compositions comprising the steps of: providing an aqueous gel having the above composition and sterilising the aqueous gel. Preferably, the aqueous gel is sterilised by heating.

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